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Applicant(s): Jose Sancho Royo et al) Re: Information Disclosure
Statement
Serial No.: 08/961,956) Group: 1755
Filed: October 31, 1997) Examiner: J. Pasterczyk
For: "CATALYTIC SYSTEMS FOR THE) Our Ref: B-3379 616282-6
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Date: February 28, 2003

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European Document No. 0372414 is in German. A concise English-language explanation of the relevance of European Document No. 0372414 is set forth below:

European Document No. 0372414 discloses metallocenes having a hydrocarbon group containing a double bond linked to the η^5 ligand.

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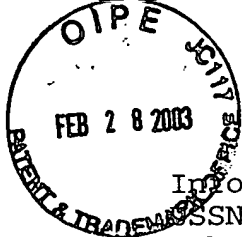
German Patent Document No. 2608863 describes the use of bis(cyclopentadienyl) titanium dialkyl in combination with trialkylaluminum and a controlled amount of water.

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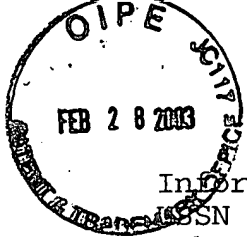
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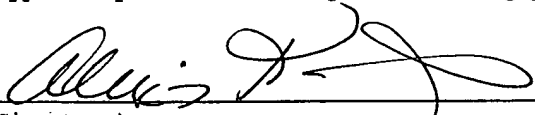
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